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The India-Pakistan Situation
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1. President Ayub warned Ambassador McConaughy today that Pakistan could not tolerate "flagrant" violations of the cease fire line by Indian troops much longer. He said that the Pakistani air force thus far had been restrained from retaliating for alleged Indian air attacks on 28 September but his government was waiting to see what the Indians would be doing "tomorrow." Ayub claimed the Indian violations resulted from high level instructions, "spearheaded by Defense Minister Chavan and Army Chief of Staff Choudhury, with Prime Minister Shastri impotent to control them."

2. Ayub told McConaughy that the two problems of military disengagement and a political settlement must go "hand in hand." He claimed that Secretary General Thant had agreed that along with arrangements for military disengagement a body should be established to arrange a political solution. Ayub listed the UK, the US and France as members of a possible mediatory or good offices group.

3. In New York, Pakistani Foreign Minister Bhutto declared that his country would not withdraw its forces from Kashmir unless a U.N. peace force or other machinery is present to prevent Indian troops from moving in. Pakistani troops are believed to occupy about 200 square miles of Kashmir previously held by India.



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